



The Historic O'Keefe Ranch, which is located at the head of Okanagan Lake in the stunning Okanagan Valley is a place "*Where History Comes Alive*". The Ranch tells the story of early ranching and endeavours to preserve the history and culture of the ranching era.

The O'Keefe Ranch was founded in 1867 when Cornelius O'Keefe and his partners, Thomas Greenhow and Thomas Wood, were driving cattle north arrived at the head of the Okanagan Lake. A sea of bunch grass covered the hills and valleys all around, well watered by creeks and small lakes. The men took up 160 acres each and began their own ranches. This was the beginning of the O'Keefe Ranch. In 1907 the orchard industry started to buy as much land as they could. The O'Keefe family started ranching on a smaller scale and living in the beautiful house that O'Keefe has built during the ranch's hay-day. In the mid 1960's the youngest son, Tierney O'Keefe, and his wife Betty decided to open the ranch as a heritage site. They restored the blacksmith shop from its original location and re-constructed the General store. In 1977 the O'Keefe's sold the Ranch to the Devonian Foundation which in turn gave the ranch to the City of Vernon. The Ranch is currently operated by the O'Keefe Ranch and Interior Heritage Society.

The O'Keefe Ranch has a number of beautiful venues for your event no matter the size. All events are individually designed to ensure a lasting memory for you and your guests.

The O'Keefe Ranch would like to offer the opportunity for your company to bring guests to the Ranch for an experience like no other. The Ranch is open daily from May till September. Guests have the option to take part in a walk-through tour of the O'Keefe Mansion, visit with the animals we have on site, or ask about stage coach rides.

You are more than welcome to bring in your own catering company to serve dinner or you can contact the Cattlemen's Club at cattlemensclub@live.ca or 250-542-2178 to talk about catering options.

To book a date and time that would work best for your company please contact Deirdra Holmwood at events@okeeferanch.ca or 250-542-7868.

Thank you,

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